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## DEMANDS BY NAVAL DOCKYARD WORKERS

### Increased allowances, other benefits wanted

## DAIRY FARM DEADLOCK

The latest development in the labour situation yesterday was the presentation of a demand from the Royal Naval Dockyard workers for increased allowances and benefits.

The demand was conveyed in a letter to the Commodore Superintendent of the Royal Naval Dockyard asking, among other things, for extra allowances to meet present increased cost of living.

### Miniature Berlin blockade

Berlin, January 25  
A mile of German iron fences queued this afternoon on the East side of the Anglo-Soviet zone border, delayed by "no go" orders of Soviet officials.

Another 120 on the Western side waited their turn for the newly rigorous check-up at the Helmstedt control point.

At the Tabeck-Herrnhut crossing point traffic had dropped to about 10 per cent of the usual rate.

Altogether 20 lorries had passed in both directions there in 24 hours, compared with 200 to 250 normally.

The Soviet licensed "Berliner Zeitung," in Berlin paper to comment on the hold-up, said that they were protesting "the German Democratic Republic and Berlin from being plundered by the West."

The paper added that iron plants were "simply aimed at creating tension and disorder."

United Press adds that a United States military convoy passed through the Soviet checkpoint at Helmstedt without incident to day.

The Russians made no move to interfere with the 57-day convoy guarded by seven military policemen on motor cycles as it rolled into Soviet territory. However, 260 German trucks waiting to pass through the Soviet check point remained stranded on the Western side of the zonal border by the six-day old Soviet slow down.

The convoy, carrying supplies to the American garrison in Berlin, was the last to challenge the miniature blockade. It spent the night in the British zone about 10 miles from the frontier and pulled into the American check point on the 1st leg shortly before 8 a.m.—Reuters and United Press.

### RITA, BABY OFF FOR CHALET

Lausanne, Switzerland, January 26.

Princess Yasmin, left the Monte Carlo Clinic today for Prince Ali Khan's chalet at Gstaad. It was Yasmin's first venture into the outside world since she was born 23 days ago and she slept throughout the experience unaware that she was dodging newspapermen and photographers.—United Press.

### The Weather

At 0000 GMT (8 p.m. HKST) a trough of low pressure runs parallel to the S coast of Japan to a small depression 200 miles SW of Kyushu and thence to N Taiwan and China. Pressure is high over Central China, with a ridge extending Eastwards across the Yellow Sea and Korea. 1000 hrs—light or moderate E wind, partly cloudy.

Yesterday's Weather—  
Maximum: 71.8 deg. Fah.  
Minimum: 61.8 deg. Fah.  
Barohline: 4.1 hours.  
Rainfall: Nil. Total since Jan. 1—  
8.0 mm. Total since against an average of 26.7 mm.  
Wind: 10 m.p.h. from SSW.  
Sea: 10 m.p.h. from SSW.

The letter was signed by three persons who said they were representatives of "the Committee for the Improvement in the Treatment of Naval Dockyard Workers." The signatories asked for an appointment with the Commodore Superintendent of the Royal Naval Dockyard to discuss the demands submitted.

The Dockyard authorities said they would in due course discuss the workers' demands.

In an official statement yesterday the Royal Naval Dockyard authorities said:

"The management of HM Naval Dockyard, Hong Kong, has received today a letter signed by three of its employees who claimed to be representatives of a committee, described as The Committee for the Improvement in the Treatment of Naval Dockyard Workers."

The letter contained a request for a meeting with the Commodore Superintendent to discuss a number of demands, which include payment of increased allowances.

The signatories to the letter will be received by the Commodore Superintendent at an early date."

The action taken by the Royal Naval Dockyard workers, who number more than 3,000, was in implementation of a joint resolution passed by workers of the four big dockyards in the Colony last week, to hand in a demand to the Royal Naval Dockyard, had not, up to 5 p.m. yesterday, presented any demands on their management.

Conducted by the "China Mail" last night, workers at these dockyards, who number more than 3,000, said their demands, which were identical to those of the Royal Naval Dockyard workers, would be presented in the course of the next few days.

The action taken by the dockyard workers, at a time when similar demands made by other workers had been turned down, has been construed as a gesture to bolster up the overall attempt of labour to obtain an increase of pay while a decision has not yet been reached as to whether such increase was justified or not.

Meanwhile, the dispute between the workers of the Dairy Farm Company and the management was yesterday still statement on the inability to reach agreement on the appointment of an arbitrator acceptable to both parties.

### Resentment

The refusal of the management to accept the workers' nominees, Mr. Ken Baker, as sole arbitrators was received by the workers with resentment. They said they regarded it as a deliberate attempt by the management to dictate to the men as to who should and who should not arbitrate in the dispute.

The Dairy Farm workers' representatives, who interviewed the management yesterday, were told to consult the Commissioner of Labour. The management was said to have told the workers that the nomination of alternative candidates as arbitrators, other than a Supreme Court Judge, was a sincere attempt on their part to achieve agreement.

The workers' representatives will interview the Commissioner of Labour today to seek his advice as to whether the two nominees of the management, Colonel L. T. Ridge, Director of R. Roberts, and Mr. W. J. Carris, were persons likely to give them a fair deal in the dispute.

## Danish Queen visits her Swedish family



Queen Ingrid of Denmark visited her family in Stockholm, Sweden, recently. Her daughters, Anne-Marie and Benedicta, greatly enjoyed the visit to their grandfather, Crown Prince Gustav of Sweden, who reads fairy stories to them. Queen Ingrid looks on. (A. P. Photo)

## India proclaimed a Republic

New Delhi, January 26  
India's last Governor-General, Chakravarti Rajagopalachari, breaking a 92-year-old link with the British Crown, today proclaimed his country a republic.

At a simple, solemn ceremony in Durbar Hall, Government House, here, 65-year-old Dr. Rajendra Prasad was sworn in as the Republic's first president.

A mighty cheer rose from the throngs of tens of thousands of people watching as the presidential flag went slowly to the masthead above Government House.

The cheer was echoed throughout India as guns boomed and sirens shrieked a salute to the new state, whose official name will be Bharat. India's 320,000,000 people were seeing their new constitution come into force again after 20 years after declaring their resolve, under Mahatma Gandhi's inspiration, to attain independence.

The Chief Justice, Sir Karu Karla, administered the oath of office to the new president in the presence of foreign diplomats in full dress, splendidly robed Indian princes and Indian politicians in their formal Congress uniforms.

The association of India with the United Kingdom has been long and not always happy. Memories of the past might have embittered hopes for the future.

"But in a situation of great delicacy the genius and goodwill of statesmen from all parts of the Commonwealth of which, to our pride, India of her own free will remains a member, fashioned a new form of association which not only gives satisfaction to the national aspirations of India but enables her and other members of the Commonwealth to work together even more closely than before in pursuit of the common aims of peace, freedom, prosperity, happiness and social progress."

Cairo celebration

In Cairo, Indians celebrated India's proclamation as a republic with a flag hoisting ceremony at the Indian Embassy. A crowd of several hundreds in their colourful national costumes stood silent in the Embassy grounds overlooking the Nile and watched their flag rise.

The former Egyptian Premier, Hussein Sirry Pasha, attended the ceremony on behalf of King Farouk, together with the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Mohammed Salim El Din Bey, the British Ambassador, Sir Ronald Campbell, other diplomats and the Secretary-General of the Arab League, Azzam Pasha.

The Egyptian Foreign Minister, in a message to the Indian Ambassador, sent "brotherly wishes and congratulations to our great friend on the birth of a republican regime."

"Since the end of the first world war the East has fraternized with the movement for Indian independence and therefore Weeds have a right to be happiest when Indian men have achieved their sovereignty and independence," he said.

The Indian naval ensign was hoisted to the accompaniment of the Indian National Anthem. Indian naval men took the new oath of loyalty but British officers were exempted from

## WESTERLING'S TROOPS IN JAKARTA BATTLE

### Large-scale fighting in W. Java seen

(By ARNOLD BRACKMAN)

Somewhere in West Java, January 26. Captain Paul Westerling, renegade Dutch leader, predicted today in an exclusive interview that large-scale fighting would break out soon in West Java.

Westerling, whose supporters have disturbed the short-lived peace since the establishment of the United States of Indonesia, met this correspondent "somewhere in West Java" to tell his version of the violence.

"Large-scale fighting will break out soon in West Java," he said. "I don't think it will last long—about three months, I know I am going to win. I am not trying to set myself up as a warlord. I am not trying to form my own government.

"I am only trying to help the people. I am trying to remove the Japanese influence from the TNI (Republican army). I have tried everything I could to avoid clashes but it is not possible to avoid them because the Republican army is still operating under the Japanese mentality. The Republican army terrifies the people."

Westerling was dressed in civilian clothes. He wore brown street shoes, brown socks, a white polo shirt and khaki pants. He was not armed while receiving me for the interview. He is a barrel-chested man with black hair and blue-black eyes and of dark complexion. He wore a gold wrist watch and a gold ring with a black onyx stone on his left hand.

The Minister of Defence, Sultan of Jogjakarta, announced the reorganisation of the Netherlands Indies army into an army of the United States of Indonesia, effective from today. He said the amalgamation would be completed in six months and he asked all Republican soldiers including those who fought with Captain Westerling in Monday's attack on Bandung in West Java to join the new army.

"The recent events in Bandung have not changed the government's standpoints," the Sultan said. "Indonesian members of the Netherlands Indies army will still be received with open arms if they are prepared to contribute loyally their energies and abilities to the United States of Indonesia forces."

### Contact established

A government communiqué said Republican units established contact with Captain Westerling's forces at Tjandjur, West of Bandung along the Jakarta-Bandung railway. The situation in Bandung itself was quiet.

In a new Westerling raid, Dutch sources said a unit of his forces engaged Republican troops in a fierce skirmish at Tjandjur and retired only after suffering losses. Neutral observers believed this may have been the action referred to in the communiqué as mopping up operation.

Dutch sources said the raid was made on Tuesday night by an irregular band led by J. S. van der Meulen, a former police inspector. They said the irregulars entered the town on four trucks and were well armed with heavy machine guns. But after a heavy exchange of fire their vehicles were put out of action and Westerling's men retreated out foot Northward into the hills.

Van der Meulen, these Dutch sources said, apparently intended to drive into Tjandjur to pick up a group of estate guards who were to desert and join Westerling's forces that same night.

In Jakarta, the government clamped down an even tighter curfew—from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m.

cinema houses put out notices saying they would show no films tonight. Restaurants and hotels urged guests to dine earlier than usual tonight.

Only four streets from the scene of today's Jakarta fighting, the Indonesian Premier, Dr. Mohammed Hatta, and four other Cabinet members addressed a large Indian audience celebrating the birth of the Indian Republic at the opera house.

Premier Hatta thanked Indians for helping Indonesia in its own struggle for independence and wished the government and people of India prosperity.—United Press.

"I have tried everything I could to avoid clashes. But large-scale fighting will now start," he said.

### A Warning

"It was not an ultimatum but a warning. I gave the date of January 12 and later extended it by the request of the United Nations military observers in February 12. I said I did not want to be responsible for what happened after that date.

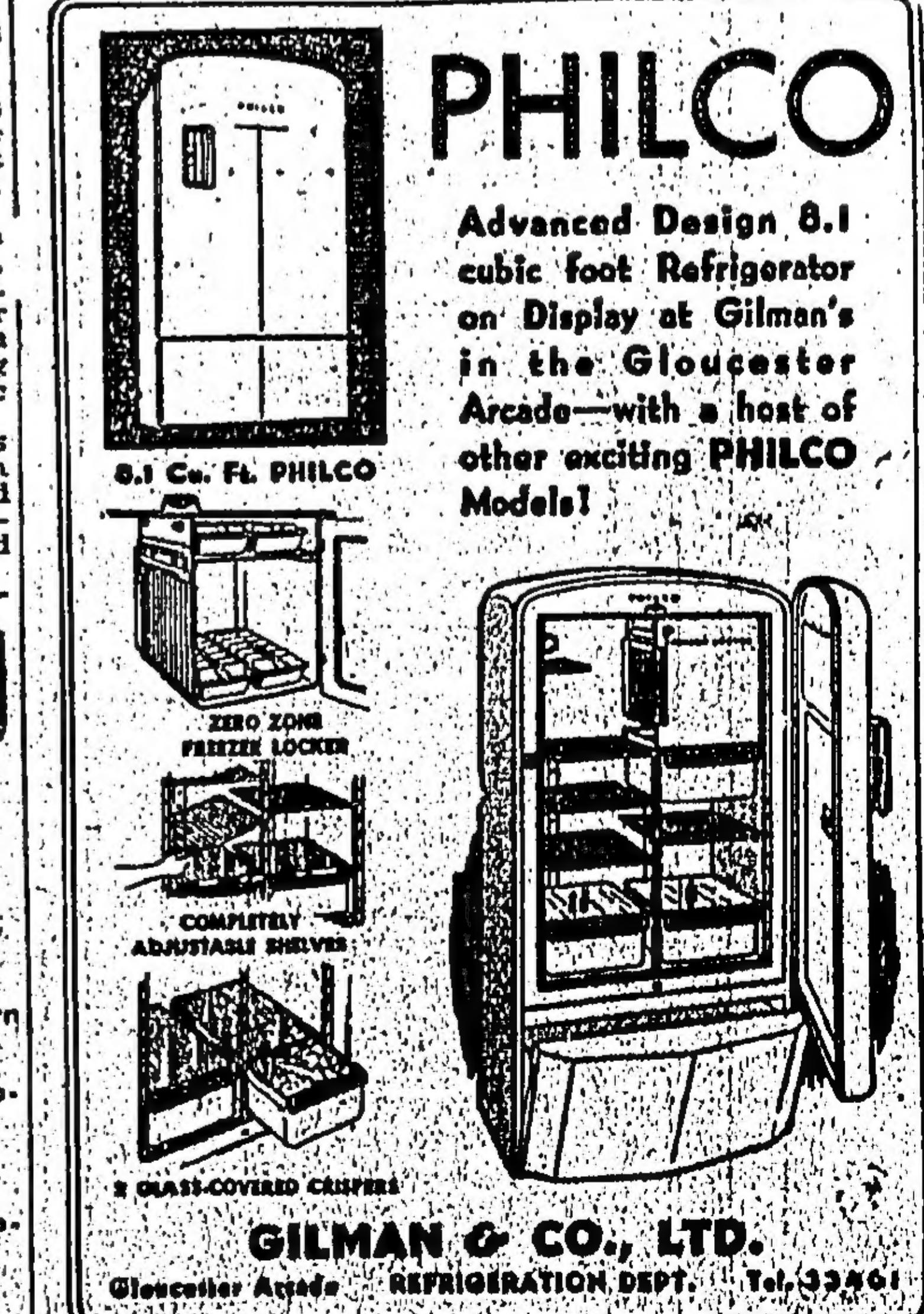
"I kept my word. I tried to work with the Republican army but they did not reciprocate. They tried to create trouble by arresting people. Day after day the situation got worse until I sent a note of warning to them to return to Turkey when 'every thing is okay over here.'

I asked: 'Do you think your actions have endangered the Dutch community and interests in Indonesia?' He snapped back quickly: 'Sure—if I lost. But I am sure I won't lose. I have popular backing. I am willing to negotiate at any time, providing the negotiations are carried out in a reasonable way. I do not represent the Dutch people but I do represent Indonesians. That is where the Republicans make their mistake. It is because one of them is representing the Dutch interests. I have never fought against the interests of the Indonesian people and I will not stand idly by watching a small clique dominate a free Indonesia.'

Westerling denied he was plotting with the extremist Islamic Darul group to form an Islamic State in West Java. He said "I would not support the formation of an Islamic State against the United States of Indonesia. That is not my purpose. There is no direct link between my men and the Darul group. But there are some Darul battalions who understand my goal and that is why a few Darul battalions are under my command today."—United Press.

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# COLONY CELEBRATES "AUSTRALIA DAY" WITH OFFICIAL RECEPTION

## Reclamation scheme starts

Exploratory work on an 81-acre reclamation scheme at Hung Hom, Kowloon, has been started, according to the 1948-49 annual report of the Public Works Department. The scheme has a dual purpose: it will provide more than 1,000,000 cubic yards of soil and make available some 16 acres for residential buildings.

The twin hills bounded by Chatham Road, Wu Wu Street and Matauwei Road were surveyed and tent-drilled in the year under review.

The exploratory work included the sinking of marine borings on the line of the proposed seawall.

## Reminders

### Today

Nine Dragons Services Club, Lombard, 8 p.m.  
HK Council of Women, general meeting, PHO lecture room, 5.15 p.m.

Crown Land Sale, Taipo District Office, Taipo, 11.30 a.m.  
Cheers Services Club, Amateur Night, 7 p.m., followed by a Rediffusion Broadcast of winners, 9.30 p.m.

St John's Cathedral Organ Recital, 1.15 p.m.  
Cheers Services Club, Darts Tournament, Finals

### Coming Events

**TOMORROW**  
European YMCA, service entertainment, 8 p.m.

Kowloon Gramophone Society classical concert, Diocesan Boys' School, 8.15 p.m.

SUNDAY  
HK Art Club, sketching party, Cheungshan Island, members to meet at the Central Fire Brigade building, 8.30 a.m.

Tue HK classical concert, 5.30, Macdonald Road, 8.30 p.m.

Nine Dragons Services Club, tombola, 8 p.m.  
European YMCA, Antioch group meeting, talk on "Thebes, City of Temples & Tombs" by Miss J. Stuart, 8.30 p.m.

## RAF, RNZAF exchanges of aircraft

To give aircrews of the Royal Air Force and the Royal New Zealand Air Force further experience of both services in different operational areas, it has been agreed between the British and New Zealand Governments to carry out periodic exchanges of aircraft.

Accordingly, two Royal Air Force Sunderlands of No. 88 Squadron at present based in Hong Kong will change places with two Royal New Zealand Air Force Catalinas of No. 5 Squadron at Laughton Bay, Fiji.

The Catalinas together with their servicing crews will leave Laughton Bay on January 26 and are expected to arrive in Hong Kong on February 2.

Shortly afterwards, the two Sunderlands will leave Hong Kong to arrive at Laughton Bay via Auckland on February 16. The length of the stay is to be two months.

Sunderland aircraft of No. 88 Squadron played a prominent part in the relief of HMS Amethyst when she was held by Communists in the Yangtze.

## DONATIONS FOR FIRE VICTIMS

The Taikoo Chinese Association has launched a HK\$1 donation campaign for the relief of the victims of the recent Kowloon City fire.

The campaign is supported by the Chinese and European staffs of Butterfield and Swire and Chinese staff of the Durex Paint Manufactury, has already resulted in more than HK\$800 being collected.

In addition, a considerable amount of clothing has been received.

Representatives of the Taikoo Chinese Association will visit the fire victims tomorrow, and will personally distribute relief in the form of rice and clothing on Sunday.

## NAVAL LAUNCH IN COLLISION

A naval launch, attached to HMS Corinth, sank in Yau Ma Tei Bay after colliding with a Chinese motor vessel about 200 yards off the Kowloon Naval Oil Storage shortly after 8 a.m. yesterday.

The three-man crew of the 46-foot craft and 16 other ratings were not injured. They were taken aboard the motor launch KWong, which was unengaged, and returned the naval launch.

Up to 100 hours later, the Hsing Kwong (KMS) was not located, and her whereabouts are unknown.

Hong Kong's international community joined local Australians yesterday in celebrating "Australia Day," which commemorates the unfurling of the Union Jack on Australian soil by Captain Arthur Phillip on January 26, 1788.

The Australian Government Trade Commissioner in Hong Kong, Mr. H. Wrigley, gave a reception at the Hong Kong Club annexe, which was attended by many distinguished guests, including Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham.

In a short address preceding a toast to the King Mr. Wrigley described the early colonisation of Australia as probably one of the toughest pioneering jobs ever attempted. He said that Australia, despite her status as an independent nation, remains one of the staunchest members of the British Commonwealth.

"We are proud of this fact, as we are of our British nationality," he declared.

Mr. Wrigley said:

"The first Australian Governor, Captain Arthur Phillip, with his 11 ships of sail, after an eight-months voyage from England, arrived in Port Jackson on January 26, 1788, and with simple ceremony the Union Jack was unfurled on Australian soil in January 26, the day we now commemorate as Australia Day."

"In the brief period that has elapsed since Governor Phillip and his fleet arrived in Sydney Cove to found the first permanent settlement, a Continent almost as large as the United States of America has been effectively occupied."

"The early colonisation of Australia was probably one of the toughest pioneering jobs ever attempted. However, our early pioneers were people of outstanding character; they had a spirit of adventure, initiative, determination and, above all, were imbued with a love of freedom and a desire to live their lives in their own way."

"That the spirit of the early pioneers has been handed down through the succeeding generations, and that it still exists, has been amply evidenced in the exploits of our men and women in two world wars and in the years between."

"Australia today is a Nation of over 8,000,000 British people sharing in their heritage of freedom in the great sunlit continent of the Southern seas and keen to maintain the high standard of living built up through 100 years of unceasing effort in developing the resources of a virgin land."

The Great Wall Pictures Corporation will present a realistic picture of the story of the Chinese farmer. Scenes include spectacular battles fought horse back in dusty fields; a mass fist-fight in which ancient Chinese boxing technique is demonstrated and a fierce search for rebels by parties led by yelping police dogs.

## CHINESE FILM DUE HERE SOON

"Pury in Their Hearts" is the title of The Great Wall Pictures Corporation's latest production to be screened shortly in local theatres. The first screening will be shown simultaneously on both sides of the harbour.

The theme of the film is an uprising by farmers against oppression, high taxation, exorbitant interest and tyrannical land owners.

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## Lecture on human mind's duality

Cultivated at first from necessity, then as a habit and through further evolutionary changes, the duality of the human mind becomes instinctive and has now almost become a part of human nature.

Throughout human history there have been always two forces at work to shape the destiny of man. The force of unity is the power that draws humanity together in harmony and in peace. The force of destruction or the duality of the human mind is always working towards destruction of this unity and harmony.

So said Dr. Yu Tinn Hui, President of the China Research Service, in a talk on "The Duality of the Human Mind" at the weekly luncheon of the Y.M.C.A. Men's Club at Hong Kong Hotel yesterday.

"In these days of world-wide cold war and incasiness everywhere, it might be of interest for us to look into a significant point in human life that may help us to understand the root of our present-day social, economic, political or international problems," Dr. Yu said.

This so-called duality is the sequence of human mental attitude or behaviour in both affirming and denying a subjective truth for one's own benefit at any given time, place or occasion.

Truth, in the subjective sense, is a convenience which man employs as a weapon to protect or defend his own selfish honour, glory, interests, wealth or power.

"At any given social, political, economic or international issue, the common man with few exceptions, usually taking sides with either his family or his friends and side-lined his wife or children."

"Through this evolutionary change and adaptation the human mind is moulded to its present form, a duality," Dr. Yu declared.

When an issue is beneficial to him, he will support it; otherwise he will oppose it. In most cases, social interests really determine the behaviour of man.

This is the apparent duality of the human mind in adaptation to the manifold aspects of man's social environment.

Two forces

But of these two forces, the one that affirms the duality of the human mind is the centripetal force.

The other force, the centrifugal force, is the centrifugal force.

Both of these forces are



Photo taken at the "Australia Day" celebration which was held yesterday at the Hong Kong Club annexe by the Australian Government's Trade Commissioner, Mr. H. Wrigley. Mr. Wrigley (left) is seen proposing a toast to the large gathering which was invited.—("China Mail" photo).

## Premia on land sales drop

Premia on land sales collected by the Crown Lands and Survey Office in 1948-49 was nearly HK\$4,000,000 less than the amount collected the previous year.

Total revenue, billed in 1948-49 (including HK\$242,424.67 collected by the District Commissioner, New Territories) was HK\$6,337,856.52 as compared to HK\$10,572,401.85 in the previous year.

## Weavers bound over on conduct charge

Fifty-four weavers of the Pao Hsing Cotton Mills,

Tsun Wan, were bound over in \$50 by Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday to be of good behaviour for a year on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Defendants were mostly young workers, and included 11 women and several juveniles. One woman, Chang Chi-wan, who became ill shortly after the hearing began, was sent to Kowloon Hospital.

Mr. G. A. R. Wright-Nooth, Superintendent of Shamshuipo, told the Court that when defendants were arrested three of them were found to be suffering from malaria but they refused to go to hospital.

Defendants pleaded not guilty to the charge when they were brought up and court procedure was explained to them again.

Defendants kept raising the issue of their dispute with the Pao Hsing Cotton Mills and the magistrate explained to them that he was only dealing with the charge before him.

Court was adjourned twice during the hearing in order to have the procedure explained to defendants who, in the afternoon, changed their plea to one of guilty.

Mr. Wright-Nooth told the Court that yesterday afternoon, accompanied by Chief Inspector F. J. Clarke, Sub-Inspector Jack Dempsey and a party of police, he arrived at the Pao Hsing Cotton Mills and as a result of what Mr. Li, superintendent of the mills, told him they proceeded to the employees' dormitory.

Miss Tan died on December 20 last year while undergoing treatment at the New Grassland Hospital for pleurisy and meningitis. She was then doing post-graduate work in literature at Columbia University, after having been awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree by Union College, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Yesterday her body was brought back to Hong Kong by the President Jefferson to be buried here.

Hundreds of friends and relatives attended to pay their last respects to deceased who was only 24.

Miss Tan was a zealous member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Hong Kong, in which her mother was a leader. Miss Tan was also a student of the Church School in Happy Valley.

When the Pacific War broke out, Miss Tan made the hazardous trek to the interior of China where she enrolled in the Ling Nam Middle School at Pinghe. She was a leader of the school both academically and in student activities having organised glee clubs and choirs which were well known in Northern Kwangtung and Southern Hunan. Her choir frequently toured the army camps singing for the service men.

When the war ended, Miss Tan was attending Ling Nam University. She left Hong Kong in 1947 for the United States for higher studies at Nebraska. She was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree in January, 1949.

Miss Tan took ill with pleurisy of the lung in April, 1949, and was admitted to Grasslands Hospital in New York City. Her condition took a turn for the worse in December and her mother flew to New York to be with her. Miss Tan arrived just in time to see her daughter's life ebb away.

Miss Tan is survived by her parents, two brothers and three sisters. Her father is the China manager of Ault-Wiborg and her mother is a leader of the YWCA and president of the Hong Kong Christian Women's Temperance Society.

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marked out in stall spaces of  
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space will be \$25 for the period  
of the Fair.

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spaces should be made in per-  
son to the Hawker Licensing  
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plicant should furnish two  
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which of the above com-  
modities they desire to sell.

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N. B. M. WHITLEY,  
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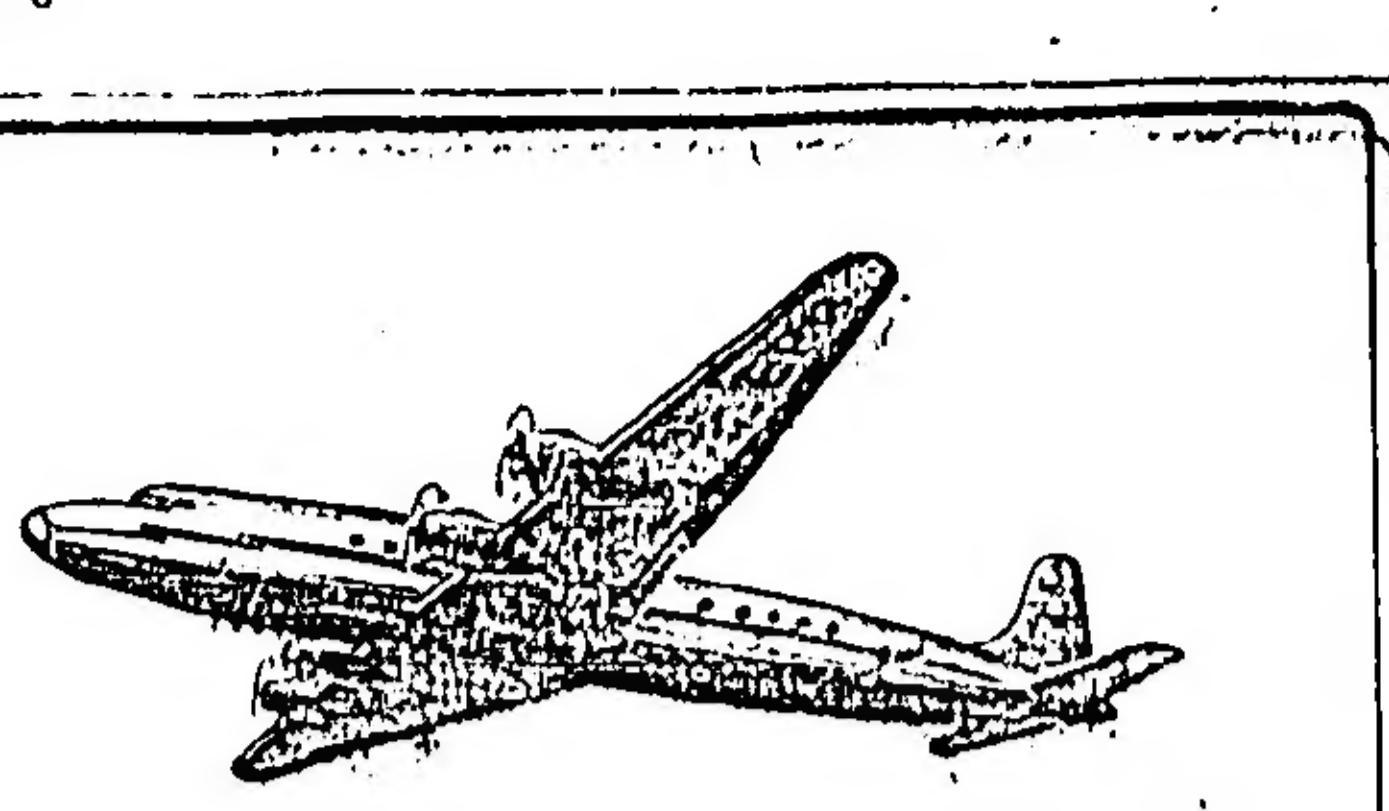
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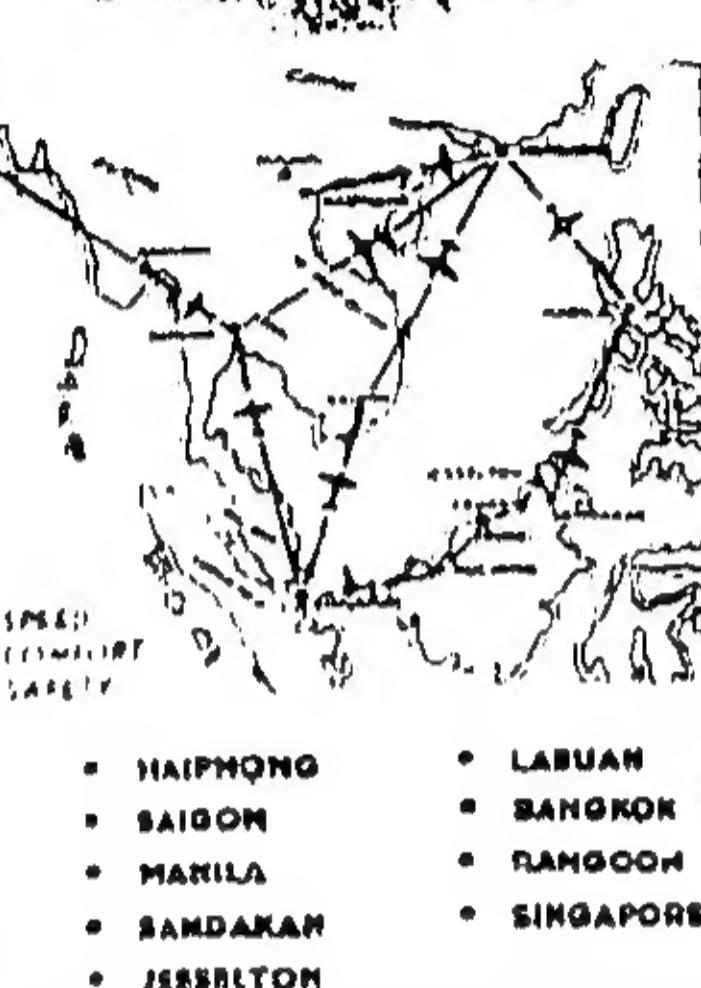


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## MARRIAGE

DR KINSON-WILD — The mar-  
riage is hereby announced  
between Mrs. G. M. Dickson,  
of The China Mail, and  
Mr. Richard Wild, of South  
British Insurance Co., on  
26th January, 1960, at St.  
John's Church, Darlinghurst,  
Sydney.

NEW IMPERIALISM  
FOR OLD

The exposure by the United  
States Secretary of State of  
Soviet imperialism in the Far  
East struck home so sharply  
that Mr. Vyshinsky found it  
necessary to resort with a  
blanket denial. It was, he  
said, merely a slanderous  
smoke screen to hide  
America's own faults. Be  
the motive for making them  
what it may, the charges are  
basically true.

Two of the outstanding  
phenomena of modern de-  
velopments have been the  
swift retreat of so-called  
Western Imperialism, and the rapid  
revival of Russian Im-  
perialism. The Western with-  
drawal has been carried out  
on a scale without parallel in  
history, at the end of a vast  
victory, when the armed  
power of the West was equally  
unprecedented. Russian  
Imperialism began its re-  
covery as far back as the early  
1920's, when Outer Mongolia  
was occupied and when, in  
1924, an agreement concluded  
with the separatist regime in  
Mukden under the war lord  
Chang Tsolin enabled the  
Soviet to resume control of  
the Chinese Eastern Railway.  
The transfer prompted  
sardonic reflections, in view  
of the fact that for the  
previous two or three years  
Karakhan and other Soviet  
spokesmen had been holding  
forth in Peking, with tireless  
vehemence, on the iniquities  
of Imperialism and the  
unequal Treaties. And the  
most iniquitous thing of all,  
so they stated, was the Tsarist  
position in Manchuria. There  
the Russians are now stronger  
than ever before.

But the most interesting  
case history is that of Outer  
Mongolia, where, as Mr. Dean  
Acheson has quite accurately  
stated, the process of penetra-  
tion or absorption is complete.  
Let us be quite fair about it.  
The then Bolsheviks were  
prodded into armed intervention  
there by the fantastic designs  
of the "mad Baron" Unger.  
But once there, they stayed there,  
and while there has been an ebb  
and flow in the relations between  
the Kremlin and Urga (now  
known as Ulan Bator), all at-  
tempts of the Outer Mongols  
themselves to break the  
stranglehold and to establish  
relations even with the then  
acknowledged suzerain  
Power, China, have been  
frustrated.

Mongolia has been a closed  
book, and a closed area, to  
everybody but Soviet citizens  
for many years. No Chinese  
or other official has ever been  
allowed there; no Chinese is  
there today. All its trade,  
which used to flow through  
Tientsin, has been diverted to  
Siberia. Except for what the  
Russian Agency Tass tells the  
world about it, Mongolia is  
terra incognita.

This was the first territory  
seized after Revolution, and  
developments in the Soviet  
Union were faithfully informed  
there. Constitution, ideology,  
purges, collectivisation,  
dictatorship by a single Party,  
obedience to the "wise in-  
structions" of the Comintern,  
and all.

The Mongol Communists  
themselves did try to establish

## BRITONS AND THE GENERAL ELECTION

By "Windrush"

This question has been raised  
because of the dual-nationalism  
campaign being carried on  
by various industrialists.

## Some great issues

Every general election brings  
up some great issues which  
come to be expressed in more or  
less simple terms. Sometimes what  
is more or less an accident what  
issues come to be the decisive  
ones. This may be determined  
by chance, or by the manoeuvres  
of parties. Nobody at the start  
of the campaign of 1945 foresaw  
how important the "Laski Incident"  
would be. It is too early  
yet to know what issues will  
crystallise in the present election.  
Perhaps the country feels  
in a groping way, that the chief  
issue can be phrased rather as

"Shall we continue nationalising?  
Or does private enterprise  
give us a more efficient economy,  
and so, in the long run, pro-  
vide better for everybody?"

The line taken by the most  
intelligent Tories, such as Mr. R.  
A. Butler, is that the Conserva-  
tives accept the Welfare State as  
the aim of policy no less whole-

heartedly than the Labour  
Party. But they say that the  
police, which Labour has fol-  
lowed especially inflationary  
nationalisation, have appeared  
in the round tables. Already  
the ground has been dug up. It  
is on a slippery slope. Unless  
Labour policies are changed, the  
round tables will start a downward  
plunge. And with that there will  
be an end of the Welfare State.

Perhaps the greatest danger to  
the Conservatives will be the  
speeches of some of their lead-  
ers. The Tory party is a very  
mixed one. It contains intelligent  
and patriotic leaders such as  
Mr. Butler, Mr. Richard Lay  
and Mr. Harold Macmillan. But  
one wing is frankly a class clique  
anxious to defend its own  
class interests. If necessary at  
the expense of the rest of the  
community, though this fact will  
be veneered over with appeals  
to "patriotism."

The electorate has a shrewd  
eye in discovering the nature  
and motives of leaders. If it sus-  
pects that this upper class clique  
will dominate the Tory party, it  
will vote against it.

Another danger to the Con-

servatives is, ironically enough,  
the instinctive conservatism of  
much of the country. People have  
got used to living under the so-  
cialist system. That is now the  
established order. They may feel  
nervous about a radical change.  
They have steeled down to the  
new system, though they may dis-  
like it.

(Up to the present, the fairest  
comment on these early stages  
has been made by the "Times,"  
in the morning when the date  
of the election was published.

"It is generally believed that  
the balance of opinion since July  
1945 has tilted considerably  
away from the Government, in  
spite of their remarkable record  
of successful elections. The  
question is whether the balance  
has tilted sufficiently towards  
the Conservatives to give them a  
majority of seats; some popular polls  
suggest that it is not yet so sure. There is a real and  
mounting resentment of bureaucracy.  
The Government's social reforms have  
general approval. The serious  
shortcomings of their economic  
policies have as yet come home  
to few voters in their daily do-  
ings. Probably nobody will be  
any wiser than this until Febrary 24.



State statistics.

Government experts have  
worked out that Hong Kong  
employees spend eight per cent  
of their income on rent.

And there was 1. thinking that  
with today's ruling prices,  
expenditure on housing would  
have been absolutely negligible.

"Man and wife issue is murder  
trial."

Poor little devil...

I see that the Slavee are  
trying to improve their cats.  
They could pick up some useful  
tips at our cocktail parties.

"Federation of Youth expels  
Yugoslavia."

Not exactly a new develop-  
ment for the You-gos-yavas.

No, Myrie, Socrates did not  
die from an overdose of wedlock.

CAT feels since the transfer of  
the penguins' assets, that they  
would like to monkey his  
business.

Following two big armed  
robberies in a week, the Boston  
truckling company is believed to  
be on the Brink of ruin.

Bloke describing his carefree  
boyhood told a friend: Once my  
father came home and found me  
in front of a roaring fire. That  
made my father very mad, as we  
didn't have a fireplace.

A report from London states  
that organisers of Municipal  
election meetings are worried at  
the shortage of effective speakers.  
You can apparently hear them  
saying all over Bloomsbury:  
"Have you booked my good Reds  
lately?"

According to reports from on  
board, the Nationalists didn't  
want to let the Flying Arrow go  
to a Communist port, and the  
Reds didn't want to let her  
leave.

Just what is this irresistible  
attraction the Americans have?

"Gov't earmarks space for  
lunar year fair."

Not, however, to be called  
Lunar Park.

"What's this I hear, Lieutenant?  
I'm told you were so drunk last  
night that you pushed a  
wheelbarrow through the village.  
Is that the way to keep up our  
prestige with these people?"

"You ought to know, sir. You  
were in the barrow."

The people of Southern Ireland  
are among the finest and most  
civilised in Europe. The Irish  
Hospitals Sweep has no way  
of weakening their moral fibre. In a  
working-class house the pool  
give as much excitement and  
amusement as a game of Bridge  
at the Carlton Club.

As King Edward VII, then  
Prince of Wales, said in reply to  
the Archbishop of Canterbury  
after the Traub Croft lawsuit:  
"If I keep within my means, to  
put money on cards is no more  
morally wrong than to spend the  
money on any other form of  
amusement."

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## Surely, all life is a gamble

By the Rev.  
Austin Lee

# SOVIET PENETRATION OF NORTHERN CHINA

## Washington backs up charges with proof REPLY TO VYSHINSKY

Washington, January 25

The State Department today produced documentary information to support the recent charge made by the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, that Russia is taking over some areas in Northern China.

The document was an answer to the statement made by the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, last week, branding Mr. Acheson's charges as "monstrous and awkward lies."

The State Department document said: "Soviet strategic detachment from Chinese control is in progress in China's Northern provinces, as it is in certain European areas, and, as in those areas, it may be expected to proceed by carefully planned stages."

## EMPIRE'S DOLLAR POSITION

London, January 25  
British financial officials stated today that the Commonwealth's 25 per cent cut in dollar imports was reviewed as a matter of routine at the Colombo Conference.

All such arrangements among Commonwealth countries are periodically reviewed, they said, because the Commonwealth dollar position is not static. Over a period of months it can improve or worsen.

American Press reports that Britain at Colombo proposed a six-month extension of the arrangement, until the end of this year, are believed to rest on a misconception.

According to these British officials, when the Commonwealth countries went to the Colombo Conference, it was their general sense that the dollar savings would have to continue indefinitely, and the review during the meeting confirmed this impression.

Dollar imports are drawn up annually. Since the 25 per cent cut, which was agreed upon last July, did not become fully effective until the beginning of this year, its first full year could be regarded as the calendar year 1950 rather than the 12 months ending next June.

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It is subject to relaxation or to further tightening, for the Commonwealth as a whole or for any particular country, as the situation may change at any time.—Reuter.

## Americans in China as hostages?

Washington, January 25  
The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, has expressed concern that some of the 3,000 Americans still in China, may be held as hostages by the Communists, according to some Senators who heard Mr. Acheson's testimony before the Foreign Relations Committee on Tuesday.

These Senators said Mr. Acheson told the Committee that the Chinese Communists have adopted the practice of compelling each homeward-bound American to designate someone in China who will be responsible for debts and for any subsequent criminal charge lodged against him.

Mr. Acheson is said to have disclosed that charges ranging from personal assault to non-payment of rent may be levied against an American month after he has left China.

These Communist tactics have made it most difficult for Americans to get home, Mr. Acheson told the Committee, according to the Senators.—Associated Press.

## PAKISTAN WHEAT FOR SPAIN?

Karachi, January 26  
A local news agency report said today that Spain is negotiating to purchase Pakistan wheat surplus.

The agency reported that the Spanish Consul-General for Karachi, Mr. Emilio Munoz, stated if negotiations with the Pakistani Government materialize, Spain may purchase 400,000 tons of wheat from this country.—United Press.

"The Soviet Union has placed the richest industrial area of China firmly behind the Far Eastern segment of the Iron Curtain."

The State Department said that the document was based on a large accumulation of reports and data available to this Government.

It also hinted that it has found evidence which it will not make public at this time.

The document said: "Despite the fiction of the independent Mongolian People's Republic, Soviet penetration in Outer Mongolia is complete."

It said that Outer Mongolia has not been recognized by all of the nations in the Soviet sphere. Yet by treaty, Soviet troops are maintained in this "independent republic," and its trade is completely monopolized by Russia.

It said that Manchuria is ruled by a Sino-Russian partnership, with the stronger partner in the dominant position, and claimed that Russia is extending its economic and strategic domination.

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## SECURITY MEASURES IN FRANCE

Paris, January 25. French security measures, including stern treatment for newspapers carrying on "false campaigns," were approved today by the Council of Ministers.

The measures are primarily directed against the Communists' opposition to what they call the "dirty war" in Indo-China and to the forthcoming United States shipment of war materials to the Atlantic Pact nations.

"The necessary police measures will be taken and strengthened," M. Teltgen, the Minister of State in charge of Information, told the Press after the Ministers had met with the Prime Minister, M. Georges Bidault.

Earlier today, the National Assembly's Defence Commission voted a motion "stigmatising the authors of sabotage actions against the safety of our troops fighting the enemies of France in the Far East."

The Commission asked the Government to act swiftly against "these acts of treason."

The Communist-led General Confederation of Labour has appealed to all French workers to hamper the manufacture and transportation of military equipment, and "Humanite," the Party newspaper, asked its readers to show disapproval of the "provocative policy" of the Government in Indo-China at a mass meeting today in front of the Prime Minister's Office.

The Hotel Matignon, the official residence of the Prime Minister, was heavily guarded by steel-helmeted police.

The anti-sabotage measures are also aimed at unrest in the nationalised railways. A National Defence spokesman told Reuter: "Workers will be dismissed if there is a specific mistake in the handling of trains carrying national defence equipment."

M. Tiegend said that the Government would cope with the false news campaign by forbidding people to be newspaper editors and Members of Parliament at the same time.

"Some newspapers are grossly exaggerating the news, and such an extension of sabotage activities should be sternly coped with," he said.—Reuter.

## HYDROGEN BOMB ADVOCATED

Lake Success, January 25. The United States should go ahead with the manufacture of the hydrogen bomb before Russia does, according to Mr. Frederick H. Osborn who has just resigned as American representative on the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission.

He said here today that from his three years' experience with the Commission he concluded that there was no hope at present of reaching agreement with the Russians on world atomic control.

Mr. Osborn declared, "I cannot imagine that the American people will be content to sit back and let Russia manufacture a super atomic bomb of hydrogen and forego it themselves because we are pacifistic."

Mr. Osborn explained that he had no inside knowledge of the H-Bomb, but he said that he was convinced that nothing was to be gained by delaying its construction.

President Truman is at present considering whether to go ahead with the new bomb or delay its construction until one more American appeal is made to Moscow for a control agreement.

—Reuter.

## U.S. SYMPATHY WITH TITO

Belgrade, January 25. Mr. George Allen, the American Ambassador in Belgrade, told a press conference here today that the United States is in full sympathy with Yugoslavia's stand against Cominform interference in her internal affairs.

Asked to define the official American policy towards Yugoslavia, the Ambassador declared that the United States is opposed to aggression and the use of military force in achieving national aims, according to the basic principles laid down by President Truman and applicable to Yugoslavia and to anywhere else in the world.

"We are fully sympathetic to Yugoslavia's determination to preserve her independence and prevent outside interference," he said.—Reuter.

London, January 25. The Conservative Party charged today that labour's collective bargaining rights, including the right to strike, would eventually disappear in Britain under a Socialist regime, as they have disappeared in Socialist Russia. This charge was made in campaign literature supplementing the Party's manifesto of policy, published on Wednesday, which promised the British people the continuation of their social services, lower taxes, maintenance of full employment, and an end to nationalisation of industries if the Tories are elected on February 23.

The new campaign literature is obviously designed to woo disgruntled trade unionists away from the Labour Party, especially those who have been smarting under the Socialist Government's wage freeze. The trade unions are the backbone of the Labour Party.

The Labour Government won only a bare majority recently from the trade unions when they voted on whether to support the wage freeze which the Tories at present indirectly promise to abandon.

"The Labour Party intends—not today, but as soon as it can—to establish a completely socialist State," the Tory supplement pointed out.

The Conservative Party manifesto, "This is the Road," issued on Wednesday and outlining what the Conservative Party propose if they win the February election, met with approval from Conservative newspapers and criticism from newspapers supporting the Labour Party.

Nearly all the London national papers devoted their editorials to the manifesto.

### A winner

The Conservative "Daily Mail" said the manifesto "looks to us like a winner. It is the most stimulating political document we have read for years. It has none of the sloppy wordings or evasion of vital issues which disgraced the Socialist statement issued last week."

The Labour "Daily Herald," mouthpiece of the Labour Party, said that the only suitable name for "This is the Road" is "Queer Street."

It alleged that the manifesto "is prone to wholly misleading statements" and that there would be long queues of unemployed in Britain if the Conservatives won the election.

The manifesto is an unsuccessful piece of bluff, said the "Herald."

The independent "Daily Express" applauded the Conservatives' decision to develop the Empire.

"Under the leadership of Churchill, surrounded by new and enthusiastic lieutenants uncompromised by past mistakes, immediate progress could be achieved," said the "Express".

### No bounds

"Given the will and the determination, given devotion to Empire and not lip service, given above all the courage to turn away from dependence on the United States, we need set no craven bounds to the march of Empire," stated the "Express".

The left wing "Daily Mirror" asked how the Conservatives proposed to save more and spend more. It held the view that the

## Talks on vocational training

Geneva, January 25. Dr. N. Das, the Indian Government delegate to the tripartite conference on vocational training called by the International Labour Organisation, has been unanimously elected Chairman of the Government group.

The conference, which opened yesterday, is being attended by representatives of 20 countries. It will examine a draft recommendation on vocational training and will prepare a report for the ILO General Conference to be held in Geneva later this year.

In his address to the first plenary session, Dr. Das said that his country attaches great importance to the need for the organisation and developing a vocational training programme in direct relation to the national employment market.

He said that international regulations on this subject should be flexible enough to take into account the different national circumstances.

As the sole representative from Asian countries, Dr. Das felt that it might not be possible for Asian countries to apply the recommendations if they embodied too many high-sounding principles, which, however desirable, were beyond the existing resources and organisation of most Asian States.—Reuter.

THE CHINA MAIL, FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 1950.

## Conditions for release of U.S. fliers

Aboard The Flying Arrow

At Kobe, January 25. Captain David Jones of the freighter Flying Arrow said that Mr. Wong, Director of the Taingtao Board for Military Control of Foreign Affairs for Civilians, told him that the two captured United States Marine fliers could be released very quickly if the United States would make a "proper" diplomatic request.

(This apparent) would mean formal recognition of the Communist regime in China.

Captain Jones said the United States State Department had asked him to try to arrange the release of the fliers, Master Sergeant Charles E. Bender and Chief Electrician William Smith.—Associated Press.

## BURGLARS HOLD UP DIPLOMAT

Paris, January 25.

Two burglars held an American diplomat and his wife at bay with guns for five hours early today and then left with 5,000 French francs as loot.

Edward J. Krause, Assistant Commercial Attaché at the Paris Embassy, said the same robbers told them during the five-hour vigil that they had robbed the house five days before taking \$200 worth of Mrs. Krause's jewelry.

One of the burglars, his face masked with a white handkerchief, kept Mr. and Mrs. Krause in their bedroom while his partner ransacked the house. They battered down several doors of an upstairs flat whose occupants were on holiday.

"They thought we were rich Americans, I guess," said Mrs. Krause.

The Krause home is an old mansion on the Boulevard Suchet in an exclusive residential district fronting on the Bois de Boulogne. The Duke and Duchess of Windsor once lived nearby.

The three Krause children, Merrily, 7, Marjorie, 6, and Ned, 16 months, did not wake despite an hour of hammering on the upstairs doors with an iron bar.

Mr. Krause reported that one burglar proudly boasted about previous robberies.

He said he recently pulled off a job in which he and his partner got 26,000 francs.

The burglars did not take Mrs. Krause's engagement ring or a pearl brooch, a gift from Mr. Krause on their eighth wedding anniversary, on Tuesday.—Associated Press.

Washington, January 25. Ireland and the United States agreed today to raise the Legations in their respective capitals to the status of Embassies.—Reuter.

## U.S. urged to keep conscription bill

Washington, January 25.

The United States Secretary of State, Mr. Acheson, urged Congress today to extend conscription to show the world that the United States intends to remain strong.

"Weakness invites aggression, direct or indirect and to remain free the nations of the free world must be strong, both economically and in terms of their defensive capabilities," he declared.

Mr. Acheson appeared before the House of Representatives' Armed Services Committee to support the Administration's request for a three-year extension of the conscription law, due to expire next June.

The Committee has already heard military leaders plead for an extension as a form of insurance in the event of another war and as a spur to recruiting.

Committee members have shown little enthusiasm for the proposal, though there has been talk of keeping selective service on a "stand-by" basis with a ban on drafting men unless Congress approves.

Mr. Acheson said that the Draft Law was needed to support America's foreign policy. Letting it die would be interpreted abroad as a slackening of American determination to stand as the principal defender against aggression.

"The fundamental objective of American foreign policy is the maintenance of world peace," he said.

"We have constantly worked within the framework of the United Nations to help develop adequate means of ensuring international peace and security."

"That peace is not yet more secure is no fault of the United Nations Organisation or of the United States, but is traced directly to the record of obstructionism and intransigence of the USSR, a record with which you are completely familiar," he said.—Reuter.

KORAN DISCOVERY

Annan, January 25.

Maulid Taher, a student of ancient writings here, claims to have deciphered the unidentified letters with which certain chapters of the Koran begin.

Scholars said that his discovery was "more revolutionary in the history of Koranic interpretation."

Taher believes that the letters, whose meaning has been obscure ever since the sacred writings were revealed to the Prophet Mohammed 13 centuries ago, denote numbers and are the alphabetic equivalent of numerals.—Reuter.

## Italy to spend huge sums in Somaliland

Genoa, January 25.

Italy will spend 10,000,000,000 lire annually in administering the territory of Somaliland for 10 years under a United Nations trusteeship agreement, Signor Vittorio Corulli, Italian colonial expert, said today.

Corulli is attending the meeting of the UN Trusteeship Council in Geneva at which an agreement for the trusteeship will be concluded.

As soon as an agreement is reached, Italy will proceed to a provisional administration of her former colony until final approval is given by the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Corulli briefly outlined Italy's task in Somaliland after Dr. Mohamed Jamili, Iraq delegate to the Trusteeship Council, warned that the Somalis must be protected against the "exploitation of their national patrimony until the Somalis become sovereign and can dispose of their property as they see fit."

"The Somalis are a poor

people," Jamali said. "One rich Belgian or one rich American could buy all of Somaliland. Westerners could go there and turn Somaliland into a Western colony."

Corulli said the Somalis were nomads who "live on their stock and have a feeling that farmers are of a low type. They do not like to cultivate the land."

He added: "The main hope for this territory is in immigration or non-Somalis who will do some farming. Because of the climate, they must be Arabs. We always encouraged the immigration of Arabs from the Yemen, and it is the only way the country can be developed."

"It will cost us 10,000,000 lire annually to administer this territory, and I see no question of the exploitation of the poor by the rich."

Frontier problem

Ethiopia, Italy and Britain must make firm arrangements now for the demarcation of the Ethiopian-Somali frontier, the "Manchester Guardian" said in a leading article, drawing attention to the present tentative plan under which nothing is likely to happen for at least a year.

Relations between Italian and Ethiopian delegations on Italy's return to Somaliland have been encouragingly friendly, and measures have been announced in Rome for the take-over, it said. "But what is actually going to happen on the spot?" it asked, noting that the Eritrean disorders have not set a very inspiring example and that the complications of the Somali situation will need extraordinarily careful handling.

Referring to Ethiopian opposition to the Italian return, it said:

"The frontier itself unfortunately is nothing but a straight line on the map."

"If we are not to have a repetition of the Eritrean situation, it is most important that the boundary should at least be properly fixed," it said.

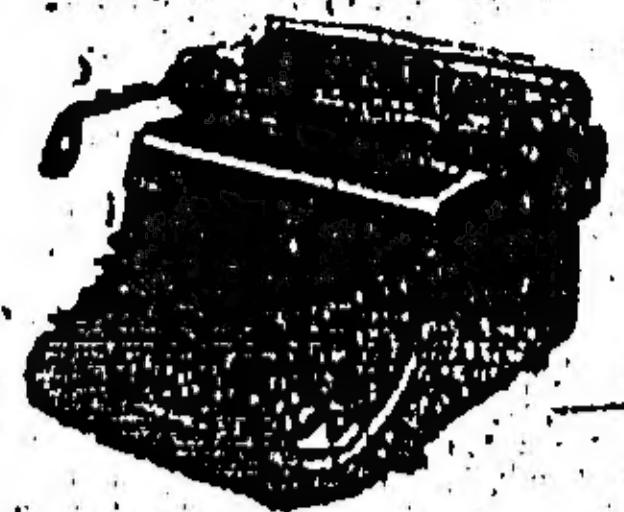
The matter of the Ogaden would also have to be very carefully managed, it said, noting how this corner of Abyssinia was first captured by the Italians, then taken over by the British, and, in 1949, partly given back to Ethiopia.

It posed the question: "Are the Italians going to take over the same areas at the hand-over, and if so, how are the Ethiopians and their supporters likely to react?"—Associated Press.

Naples, January 25. The Royal Navy aircraft carrier Glory, today anchored off Santa Lucia here. On board Glory is Vice-Admiral Douglas Pennant, Commandant of the Mediterranean Fleet Air Arm.—Reuter.

This approach had apparently found broad acceptance within the Commonwealth, particularly with the advent of three new members—India, Pakistan and Ceylon, the agency said.—Reuter.

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## CANADA GIVES UP A RIGHT

Ottawa, January 25.

By her own wish, Canada is no longer officially considered the senior Dominion of the Commonwealth, the Canadian Press reported today.

The Government had signified that Canada felt the doctrine of complete equality among Commonwealth nations was not compatible either with the recognition of a Mother country or of seniority among sister countries, the agency said.

Another stage in the evolution of the Commonwealth, it meant that Canada had voluntarily surrendered any right to speak first among the Dominions but which are now known among themselves as "the members" of the Commonwealth.

The country which now speaks first in a Commonwealth parley will no longer have the most direct interest in the subject under discussion.

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KING'S MESSAGE TO  
PRESIDENT OF INDIA

London, January 25.  
King George has sent the following message to India's first President, Dr. Prasad: "On the occasion of the inauguration of the Indian Republic I send you my warmest good wishes. May you and the people of India enjoy the full blessings of peace and prosperity in the years to come."

"The foundations of the Indian Republic within the Commonwealth have been well laid. I am confident that the strong ties of friendship which link our peoples will be maintained and that they will continue to work together steadfastly for the common good."

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, has sent the following message to Pandit Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister:

"On behalf of the Government of the United Kingdom I send to you and your colleagues warm good wishes for the happiness and prosperity of the Indian people under the new Constitution.

"It is a source of satisfaction that the Republic is to continue to be a member of our Commonwealth of Nations.

"We look forward to the continuance of the closest and most friendly relations between our two countries."

The Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, has sent this message to India's Minister of External Affairs:

"On this historic day when India becomes a Republic within the Commonwealth of Nations I send you this message of greetings and goodwill. Today our hearts are full of affection for the people of India and of hope for the greatness of India's contribution to the progress and happiness of mankind."

## Pakistan hope

Hope that the inauguration tomorrow of the Indian Republic will mark the beginning of a new era of friendly co-operation and good neighbourly relations between India and Pakistan is expressed by Pakistani Governor-General, Khwaja Nazimuddin.

He did so in a message of good wishes to Dr. Prasad.

Mr. Sean MacBride, Eire Foreign Minister, in a message to India, said that Ireland saluted the Republic of India with joy and thankfulness.

"I am able to utter these words knowing what an almost incredible achievement they would have represented to so many of our patriots of both countries who lived and died for freedom," he added.

"On the present joyful occasion it is appropriate for us to consider the progress which has been made.

"We, for our part, face problems not dissimilar to those confronting India, but in the magnitude of the problems and the potentialities which can be achieved the knowledge that your great Republic is undertaking similar tasks in a similar spirit to us in one that fortifies us with a sense of comradeship.

A mile-long torch parade, in which portraits of Mahatma Gandhi waved above the heads of the throng, marched through the floodlit streets of Delhi to-night—the eve of the birth of the Indian Republic.

India's new Constitution—breaking the 92-year-old link with the British Crown—will come into force when the last Governor-General, Mr. Chakrabarty Rajagopalachari, reads a proclamation in Durbar House, the Government House, tomorrow.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad will then be sworn in as the Republic's first President. He was unanimously elected by the Constituent Assembly yesterday.

The Crown on Government House and other State buildings, on State furniture, on the flags and crests and badges of the Armed Forces, has given place to the emblem of the new Republic—a replica of the ancient Asoka Lion capital at Sarnath.

New currency notes to be issued tomorrow will likewise bear the Republican emblem but no Crown. English will continue to be the official language of the Indian Union for a period of not more than 15 years, after which it will be replaced by Hindi.

The authors of the new Constitution have embodied Gandhi's ideals in the provisions for adult suffrage in a common, non-communal electorate and the abolition of "untouchability."

## 28 States

The Constitution proclaims India to be a sovereign, democratic Republic, and provides for a Parliamentary Government essentially federal in structure.

From tomorrow India comprises 28 States and the Andaman and Nicobar Islands. The States include the pre-Republican Provinces, the Indian States and the Chief Commissioners' Provinces. Elections under the new Con-

stitution may be held next winter. About 100,000,000 voters will be on the rolls, entitled to elect more than 4,000 members to the Central and State Legislatures.

Until the elections are held, the pre-Republican Legislatures will continue as the State Legislatures, and the Indian Constituent Assembly will function as the Union Parliament. The Constitution sets out the most elaborate declaration of fundamental rights yet framed by any State, guaranteeing rights to equality, freedom and freedom of religion, right against exploitation, cultural and educational right to property and right to constitutional remedies.

It also enumerates certain directive principles of State policy in the nature of moral precepts, including a requirement for State policy to be directed towards securing the right to work, to education and to public assistance in cases of unemployment, old age, sickness and disablement; and to endeavour to promote international peace and security.—Reuter.

Singapore, January 25.  
A Chinese was killed and two wounded last night when bandits attacked a passenger train between Sednok and Sayang in Johore State.—United Press.

A Communist spokesman then told the mine and rubber workers: "The reign of capitalist countries has ended," the papers reported.—Associated Press.

## Engine drops off clipper over the sea

San Francisco, January 26.  
Pan-American Airways reported today that the No. 4 engine fell from a Boeing Stratocruiser over the Pacific Ocean about 80 miles from Tokyo, but the clipper landed safely at Tokyo airport at 1:00 p.m. GMT.

The plane carried 10 civilian passengers but no body was injured. Pan-American Airways said the vertical stabilizer and fuselage near the galley were damaged.

—United Press.

## Taiwan relying on sugar export to get exchange

Taipei, January 26.  
First shipments abroad of 1950 Taiwan sugar have already started.

It is estimated that during the year, between 550,000 and 650,000 tons of locally produced sugar will be exported. This compares with 632,000 tons last year and 260,000 tons in 1948.

It will be shipped to Japan, Malaya, the Near East, Europe and South America.

The British Ministry of Food has contracted through the British firm Swire and Macleane to take 50,000 tons. Another 100,000 tons has been sold direct to SCIAF, Japan.

The importance of sugar to Taiwan may be gauged from the value involved. This year's exports should bring in the equivalent of approximately £25,000,000 of foreign exchange which is considerably more than the combined total of all other Taiwanese exports.

The bulk of the island's sugar industry is handled by the Taiwan Sugar Corporation, a concern of the Government's National Resources Commission. Two grades of sugar are produced by the Corporation—white refined and a straw-coloured unrefined sugar.

To ensure the quality and condition of the sugar, the Corporation requested an old-established British firm, Tait & Co., Ltd., to set up an independent surveying organization at Tukao, a big port on the South West coast of the island.

All sugar is shipped from Tainan, where the dry, sunny weather is well suited for loading.

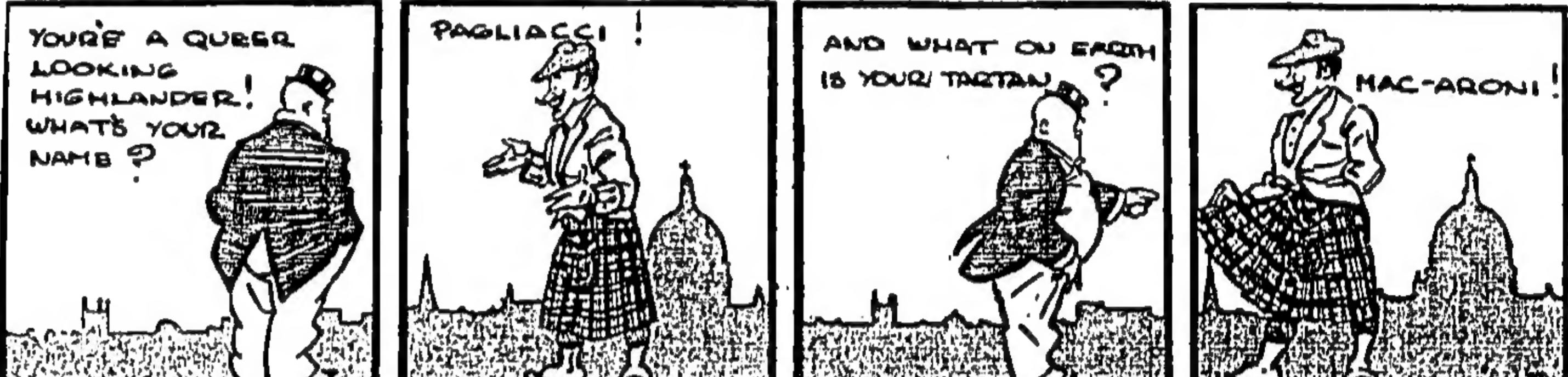
## Poor outlook

Most of the plantations are in the Southern part of Taiwan.

Half of the cane crop produced is owned by the Taiwan Sugar Corporation. The other half is grown by farmers who receive seedlings and fertilizer from the Corporation.

Although the industry will have no major worries this year, the outlook for the future is not bright.—Reuter.

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13.00—Weather Report and Announcements.

13.15—Interlude.

13.30—"Lunchtime Music."

14.00—Close Down "Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

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14.45—"British Tangos".

15.00—World News and News Analysis (London Relay).

15.15—Sweet and Sentimental Presented by Martin Andersen (Studio).

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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE

# ASIAN NATIONS ON ILO GOVERNING BODY

Nuward Eliya, January 25.

The Asian regional conference of the International Labour Organisation today unanimously adopted a resolution calling on the ILO Governing Body to give Asian countries equitable and adequate representation.

A second resolution, also adopted unanimously, said, "This Asian regional conference welcomes the action already taken by ILO to establish a field office in Asia and recommends the Governing Body to give consideration to the desirability of establishing an early date additional such offices in Asia."

Ghulam Ali Allana, President of the Karachi Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Pakistan employers' delegate to the conference, moved both resolutions.

Allana said, "We delegates, who have come to this conference, are convinced ILO means business and is wedded to the cause of lifting up the down-trodden common man of Asia. In view of recent social and political changes a new order has dawned in Asia and it is therefore proper that we who really represent the countries of Asia demand that in the new order Asian countries must have equitable representation."

The resolution urged adequate representation on both the Governing Body and Committees. Allana said that out of about 32 Committees Asian countries had representation in only 10. He was confident, however, that members of the Governing Body holding a watching brief would iterate in that body the feelings of the Asian countries on the problem.

Manohuklal Atmaram Master, Indian employers' delegate, supporting the resolution, said, "Allana has given signal service to this conference by bringing forth this most vital resolution on such an historic occasion."

New problems  
Whatever may have happened in the past there has been a new awakening all through Asia. New problems are facing us. We want to make our contribution in the deliberations and in the activities of ILO in solving these problems. That is why we ask afresh that the Asian countries be given adequate and equitable representation."

Alfred Roberts, United Kingdom representative on the Governing Body, said that although the representatives of the Governing Body were not committed to this or any other resolution, "We can convey the feelings and desires of this conference to the Governing Body."

He had thought for a considerable time that Asia should have adequate representation on the Governing Body and he would do his utmost to support any move aimed at democratic selection of the Governing Body of representatives.

The resolution was supported by the representatives from the Philippines, Ceylon, Afghanistan, Indonesia and Turkey.—Reuters.

## P.I. ADVERSE TRADE

Manila, January 26.  
The Central Bank Governor, Miguel Cuaderno, today revealed an adverse Philippines trade balance of 158 million U.S. dollars in 1949.

In a memorandum to a committee investigating effectiveness of import controls, Mr. Cuaderno said the Philippines monetary reserves dived to an all-time low of 252 million U.S. dollars at the year's end.

While the condition is temporary, Mr. Cuaderno said, it could become serious unless trade balance is relieved by import and exchange controls.

Mr. Cuaderno asserted that speculative interests are importing too much of many items not on the control list. He advocated extension of controls to include practically every item of imported goods in general use.

While Mr. Cuaderno was advocating more control measures, the Secretary of Labour, Primitivo Lovina and a House of Representatives committee was investigating prices as well as imports. They warned that present measures are causing unemployment and lowered wages.

Consumers' representatives also appeared before the committee and complained of high prices which they attributed to speculation. The Philippines price control agency is sending legislation authorizing it to confiscate stocks of necessities and offer them for sale at controlled prices.—Associated Press.

**OIL FOR JAPAN**  
Tokyo, January 26.

The steamer Shawee Trail arrived in Yokohama yesterday with 105,000 barrels of crude oil. Oil from the ship was poured into the refinery of the Japan Petroleum Corporation on the same day and marked the first time the refinery has operated since refining was suspended at the end of the war.—Reuters.

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